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Amendments to Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and

listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1(currently amended). A method of operating a computer

system for the automatic selection of parties to ~~an~~ a mutually-

determined arrangement between a system-qualified requestor of

selected requirements and a system-qualified satisfier of specific

requirements, the method comprising the steps of:

inputting into the computer system a first predetermined

composite of criteria representing each requestor qualified to

enter the computer system as a system-qualified requestor;

inputting into the computer system a second predetermined

composite of criteria representing each satisfier qualified to

serve as a system-qualified satisfier in the computer system, the

second predetermined composite of criteria including satisfaction

criteria pertaining to the ability of the satisfier to satisfy

specific requirements, and requesting criteria pertaining to

requirements of the satisfier in a particular arrangement in order

for the satisfier to enter into an arrangement with a particular

requestor;

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entering into the computer system a request for a satisfier by

a requestor identified as a system-qualified requestor, the request

for a satisfier including a schedule of requirements established by

the system-qualified requestor;

comparing in the computer system the schedule of requirements

with the satisfaction criteria of the second predetermined

composite of criteria to establish a selected group of system-

qualified satisfiers able to meet the schedule of requirements;

comparing in the computer system the requesting criteria of

each satisfier of the selected group of system-qualified satisfiers

with the first predetermined composite of criteria to establish a

mutually-determined sub-group of satisfiers willing to enter into

an arrangement with the system-qualified requestor entering the

request for a satisfier;

outputting from the computer system the request for a

satisfier for submission to the sub-group of system-qualified

satisfiers for timely responses by satisfiers of the sub-group of

system-qualified satisfiers;

inputting into the computer system timely responses by

responding satisfiers of the sub-group of system-qualified

satisfiers, and outputting from the computer system the timely

responses inputted by the responding satisfiers for selection by

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the requestor of a response from among those timely responses inputted by responding satisfiers;

inputting into the computer system a requestor selected response and outputting from the computer system the requestor selected response to notify the satisfier corresponding to the selected response of the selection of the selected response by the requestor; and

outputting from the computer system to the requestor the identity of the satisfier and outputting from the computer system to the satisfier the identity of the requestor for completion of the arrangement.

2(original).   The method of claim 1 including inputting into the computer system, subsequent to completion of the arrangement, a rating by the requestor of the performance of the satisfier, and including the rating in the satisfaction criteria of the second predetermined composite of criteria.

3(original).   The method of claim 1 including inputting into the computer system, subsequent to completion of the arrangement, a rating by the satisfier of the performance of the requestor, and

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including the rating in the first predetermined composite of criteria.

4 (original).   The method of claim 1 wherein the arrangement comprises a clinical trial, the requestor comprises a health-care provider, and the satisfier includes a candidate for potential participation in the clinical trial.

5 (original).   The method of claim 1 wherein the arrangement comprises a clinical trial, the requestor comprises a pharmaceutical provider, and the satisfier includes a health-care provider.

6 (original).   The method of claim 1 wherein the arrangement comprises the dissemination of information, the requestor comprises an information provider, and the satisfier includes a party interested in receiving the information.

7 (original).   The method of claim 1 wherein the arrangement comprises the referral of a patient exhibiting particular symptoms, the requestor includes a referring physician having observed the

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symptoms, and the satisfier includes a referred physician familiar
with treatment of the symptoms.

8(currently amended).   A computer system operated for the
automatic selection of parties to an a mutually-determined
arrangement between a system-qualified requestor of selected
requirements and a system-qualified satisfier of specific
requirements, the computer system comprising:

an inputting device for:

inputting into the computer system a first predetermined
composite of criteria representing each requestor qualified to
enter the computer system as a system-qualified requestor;

inputting into the computer system a second predetermined
composite of criteria representing each satisfier qualified to
serve as a system-qualified satisfier in the computer system, the
second predetermined composite of criteria including satisfaction
criteria pertaining to the ability of the satisfier to satisfy
specific requirements, and requesting criteria pertaining to
requirements of the satisfier in a requestor in order for the
satisfier to enter into an arrangement with a particular requestor;
and

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entering into the computer system a request for a satisfier by

a requestor identified as a system-qualified requestor, the request

for a satisfier including a schedule of requirements established by

the system-qualified requestor;

such that the computer system compares:

the schedule of requirements with the satisfaction criteria of

the second predetermined composite of criteria to establish a

selected group of system-qualified satisfiers able to meet the

schedule of requirements; and

the first predetermined composite of criteria with the

requesting criteria of each satisfier of the selected group of

system-qualified satisfiers to establish a <u>mutually-determined</u> sub-

group of satisfiers willing to enter into an arrangement with the

system-qualified requestor entering the request for a satisfier;

and

an outputting device for:

outputting from the computer system the request for a

satisfier for submission to the sub-group of system-qualified

satisfiers for timely responses by satisfiers of the sub-group of

system-qualified satisfiers;

the inputting device further being operative for:

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inputting into the computer system timely responses by responding satisfiers of the sub-group of system-qualified satisfiers, and outputting from the computer system the timely responses inputted by the responding satisfiers for selection by the requestor of a response from among those timely responses inputted by responding satisfiers; and

inputting into the computer system a requestor selected response and outputting from the computer system the requestor selected response to notify the satisfier corresponding to the selected response of the selection of the selected response by the requestor; and

the outputting device further being operative for:

outputting from the computer to the requestor the identity of the satisfier and outputting from the computer to the satisfier the identity of the requestor for completion of the arrangement.

9(original). The computer system of claim 8 wherein the inputting device is further operative for inputting into the computer system, subsequent to completion of the arrangement, a rating by the requestor of the performance of the satisfier, and including the rating in the satisfaction criteria of the second predetermined composite of criteria.

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10(original). The computer system of claim 8 wherein the inputting device is further operative for inputting into the computer system, subsequent to completion of the arrangement, a rating by the satisfier of the performance of the requestor, and including the rating in the first predetermined composite of criteria.

11(currently amended). An improvement in a method of operating a computer system for the automatic selection of parties to ~~an~~ a mutually-determined arrangement to be completed between a system-qualified requestor of selected requirements and a system-qualified satisfier of specific requirements, wherein a first predetermined composite of criteria representing each requestor qualified to enter the computer system as a system-qualified requestor is inputted into the computer system and a second predetermined composite of criteria representing each satisfier qualified to serve as a system-qualified satisfier in the computer system is inputted into the computer system, the second predetermined composite of criteria including satisfaction criteria pertaining to the ability of the satisfier to satisfy specific requirements, and requesting criteria pertaining to requirements of the satisfier in a particular arrangement in order for the

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satisfier to enter into an a mutually-determined arrangement with

a particular requestor, the improvement comprising: inputting into

the computer system, subsequent to completion of the mutually-

determined arrangement, a rating by the requestor of the

performance of the satisfier, and including the rating in the

satisfaction criteria of the second predetermined composite of

criteria.

        12(currently amended). An improvement in a method of

operating a computer system for the automatic selection of parties

to an a mutually-determined arrangement to be completed between a

system-qualified requestor of selected requirements and a system-

qualified satisfier of specific requirements, wherein a first

predetermined composite of criteria representing each requestor

qualified to enter the computer system as a system-qualified

requestor is inputted into the computer system and a second

predetermined composite of criteria representing each satisfier

qualified to serve as a system-qualified satisfier in the computer

system is inputted into the computer system, the improvement

comprising: inputting into the computer system, subsequent to

completion of the mutually-determined arrangement, a rating by the

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satisfier of the performance of the requestor, and including the

rating in the first predetermined composite of criteria.

'   13(currently amended).   In a computer system operated for the

automatic selection of parties to ~~an~~ a mutually-determined

arrangement to be completed between a system-qualified requestor of

selected requirements and a system-qualified satisfier of specific

requirements, wherein an inputting device is operative for

inputting into the computer system a first predetermined composite

of criteria representing each requestor qualified to enter the

computer system as a system-qualified requestor and a second

predetermined composite of criteria representing each satisfier

qualified to serve as a system-qualified satisfier in the computer

system, the second predetermined composite of criteria including

satisfaction criteria pertaining to the ability of the satisfier to

satisfy specific requirements, and requesting criteria pertaining

to requirements of the satisfier in a particular arrangement in

order for the satisfier to enter into ~~an~~ a mutually-determined

arrangement with a particular requestor, the improvement wherein:

the inputting device is further operative for inputting into the

computer system, subsequent to completion of the mutually-

determined arrangement, a rating by the requestor of the

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performance of the satisfier, and including the rating in the

satisfaction criteria of the second predetermined composite of

criteria.

14 (currently amended).   In a computer system operated for the

automatic selection of parties to ~~an~~ a mutually-determined

arrangement to be completed between a system-qualified requestor of

selected requirements and a system-qualified satisfier of specific

requirements, wherein an inputting device is operative for

inputting into the computer system a first predetermined composite

of criteria representing each requestor qualified to enter the

computer system as a system-qualified requestor and a second

predetermined composite of criteria representing each satisfier

qualified to serve as a system-qualified satisfier in the computer

system, the improvement wherein: the inputting device is further

operative for inputting into the computer system, subsequent to

completion of the mutually-determined arrangement, a rating by the

satisfier of the performance of the requestor, and including the

rating in the first predetermined composite of criteria.

15 (withdrawn, subject to presentation in a divisional

application).

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